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1. FROM THE ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR HERE, AND A BULGARIAN OFFICIAL WHO ACCOMPANIED MLADENOV, WE HAVE A FEW COMMENTS OF POSSIBLE INTEREST CONCERNING VISIT OF FOREIGN MINISTER MLADENOV TO BUCHAREST ON FEB 1-4.

2. OUR BULGARIAN SOURCE MENTIONED THAT ONE PURPOSE OF THE VISIT WAS TO PREPARE FOR A VISIT BY ZHIVKOV TO ROMANIA LATE THIS SPRING.

3. BOTH SOURCES INDICATE THAT THE TALKS WERE CONDUCTED IN A GOOD ATMOSPHERE. RECIPROCITY WAS STRESSED, INCLUDING SETTLEMENT OF SOME DIFFERENCES OVER CLOSURE OF CHURCHES
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(SEE REFTEL). THE ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR DID SAY, WITHOUT SPECIFYING THE PRECISE CONTEXT, THAT CEAUSESCU HAD HAD OCCASION TO REITERATE THE ROMANIAN VIEW ON "CONSULTATION BUT NOT COORDINATION" IN COMECON RELATIONS.

4. A NUMBER OF ECONOMIC MATTERS WERE DISCUSSED INCLUDING INCREASED INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION (E.G., PRODUCTION

OF OIL AND WATER DRILLS; AND FERRY BOAT CONSTRUCTION). THERE APPARENTLY WAS CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION, BUT NOT FINAL RESOLUTION, OF A COLLABORATIVE PROJECT FOR A HYDRO-ELECTRIC DAM, INVOLVING PROJECTED EXPENDITURE ON THE ORDER OF 40 MILLION DOLLARS EACH ANNUALLY OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD.

5. THE ROMANIANS RAISED AGAIN THE QUESTION OF MULTILATERAL BALKAN COOPERATION, BUT WERE NOT SURPRISED AT MLADENOV'S REITERATION OF THE STANDARD BULGARIAN PREFERENCE FOR BILATERAL COOPERATION. THE ONLY AREAS IN WHICH THE BULGARIANS AGREED THAT LOW-LEVEL MULTILATERAL CONTACTS MIGHT BE USEFUL WERE MEDICINE, PHILATELY, SPORTS, AND ONE OTHER MINOR FIELD. THE ROMANIANS WERE NOT ABLE TO GET ANY REFERENCE TO MULTILATERAL BALKAN COOPERATION IN THE COMMUNIQUE.

6. THE ROMANIAN AMBASSADOR ALSO STATED THAT MLADENOV HAD SOUGHT TO INTRODUCE A REFERENCE TO THE USSR IN THE PARAGRAPH OF THE COMMUNIQUE STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF HIGH-LEVEL MEETINGS IN FRATERNAL FRIENDSHIP, BUT THE ROMANIANS CONSIDERED IT MORE APPROPRIATE TO LIMIT REFERENCES IN THAT DISCUSSION TO THE TWO COUNTRIES.
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